

Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez (TX-23) today announced new funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for projects in San Antonio and Bexar County. The HUD grants program will fund the American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI), Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG), HOME, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

Rodriguez said "Not everyone will attain the dream of owning a home. But at the very least everyone should have access to fair housing. This funding is important because it helps to expand affordable housing to low-income families. The HOPWA and ESG programs help entire communities because they are targeted toward people who are often neglected but are in great need of help."

The HUD grants for San Antonio and Bexar County include:

- **\$14,384,933** for San Antonio and **\$1,688,259** for Bexar County for the CDBG program, which will provide annual grants to states and local units of government to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.
- **\$45,588** for San Antonio and **\$3,797** for Bexar County for ADDI, which will promote home ownership opportunities by providing necessary resources for downpayment and closing cost assistance to low-income and minority households.
- **\$6,371,233** for San Antonio and **\$585,641** for the HOME program which will help to expand the supply of decent, affordable housing to low- and very low-income families by providing grants to states and local governments to fund housing programs that meet local needs and priorities.
- **\$639,013** for San Antonio for ESG, which will provide annual grants to state, local and private entities to improve the quality and number of emergency homeless shelters.
- **\$1,025,000** for HOPWA, which will provide housing assistance and related supportive services to local units of government, states and nonprofit organizations for projects that benefit low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families.